IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Benjamin FUEST Conf. 9110

Application No. 10/533,338 Group 3677

Filed April 6, 2006 Examiner David C Reese

DEVICE FOR FIXING AN OBJECT TO A TREE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 13, 2009

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of December 17, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.